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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCOM

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FROM

: Legal Advisor

SUBJECT

: Report on Legal Situation

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1. Upon arrival I found a great number of matters requiring oral advice, some of which are pressing from the standpoint of time. One such case is the need to work out a uniform method of reporting income witting employees and answer other tax questions of employees. Many others are points of law and affect going operations, i. e., agents' income tax and money transfer questions. Also pending was the completion of arrangements for trial of traffic and automobile charges against staff personnel in areas other than

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The case (automobile accident involving the car assigned to the Chief of Mission) had reached the point where felt they must cease delaying decision on application for leave to sue. This has been resolved by our bringing suit first and the case was in need of being pushed. One other accident case involving a Mission car had been started in the meantime, but is not so serious.

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case was at a point the submission of a report of condition was necessary if we hope to try to liquidate the debt before he moves his factory. There was also a considerable amount of correspondence needing answers as to liquidation,

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and other projects.

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4. All correspondence was answered that could be done in the absence of a Legal Advisor and everything had been postponed where pos-25X1A sible. Everything was evidently well up to date at the time of departure and all problems during his presence were very capably handled. Because of this, and because of good organization of other correspondence, everything can probably be back to normal by 10 May.

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